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In re application of: Hisashi TAKAI et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MANUFACTURING NON-WOVEN FABRIC

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

December 26, 2002

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated November 26, 2002, the applicants in the above-identified patent application provisionally elect, WITH TRAVERSE, Group I, Fig. 1, claims 1-10 drawn to a method of making a non-woven fabric, classified in class 162, subclass 115.

If there are any questions regarding this Response or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,



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